

Email Comments Related to the May 5th Community Meeting

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 4:12 PM
To: 'Jami Burns'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive

Hi Jami,

Thank you for reaching out.

The subject will be discussed at a Community Meeting to be held on May 4th from 10a-12p along Cobblestone Drive (approximate address 124 Cobblestone). I would also encourage you to attend a Board of Aldermen meeting (Tuesdays at 7pm in Town Hall) and sign up for the citizen comments.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

From: Jami Burns [mailto:jamiburns13@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 4:07 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Drive

Hi Zach,

I'm a resident of Cobblestone Drive, and I am writing to give my input on what seems to have recently become an issue. I've been told the street is potentially going to be designated as a "bike boulevard" and that this may include speed bumps and new markings. I was told that someone on our street is claiming to speak for the entire neighborhood in asking for these changes. I do not feel the changes are necessary. I rarely see speeding on our street. I think the speed limit of 25 is reasonable, and we welcome enforcement of that speed limit. I am uncomfortable with the fact that one disgruntled resident seems to be speaking for the entire neighborhood.

Will the subject be discussed in an upcoming meeting? If so, what is the date of the meeting.
Thanks for considering my input.

Jami Burns
212 Cobblestone Dr, Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 9:17 AM
To: 'Mary Sonis'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive meeting May 4th

Dear Ms. Sonis,

Thank you for reaching out.

I will be documenting all comments received during this process and encourage you to attend the May 4th meeting if at all possible.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Sonis [mailto:msonis@nc.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 9:05 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Drive meeting May 4th

Dear Mr. Hallock, I am writing as a long time resident of Cobblestone Drive to object to any speed slowing devices or Bicycle Blvd. on our street. We have never had any trouble with speeding on the street, and our residents are careful to watch out for all cyclists as we use the road. At a BOA meeting, I asked about the bicycle blvd and was told that the center of the road would be painted to designate the change, and further I was told that "cars would be the guests" I have no problem sharing this road with anyone riding a bike, but I don't wish to be a guest on my own street. My own children often biked into town from Cobblestone, and there was no difficulty because we all shared the road. I see no need for changes to our street, and I feel that one resident has misrepresented the wishes of the residents. I have lived here for sixteen years without any problem with cars. if the town wishes to monitor speeds on the road, we welcome police presence at any time to enforce present speed limits, but I see no need for any other intervention.

Thank You,

Mary Sonis

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 11:13 AM
To: 'Leona Sanfilippo'
Subject: RE: Speed mitigation Cobblestone Dr. Chapel Hill

Dear Ms. Sanfilippo,

Thank you for reaching out, your comment has been recorded. I would also encourage you to attend the Neighborhood Meeting which is being held this Saturday, May 4th from 10a-12p along Cobblestone Drive, if at all possible.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

-----Original Message-----

From: Leona Sanfilippo [mailto:lsanfilippo1@nc.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 10:59 AM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Speed mitigation Cobblestone Dr. Chapel Hill

Mr. Hallock,

I have resided at 205 Cobblestone Dr. since 2003.

Overall, I think you'll find that the traffic issue on our street is rooted in perception of speed and not a gross disregard for the posted speed limit. The complainers have no idea what 25mph "looks like". The major infractions of the limit are UPS, FedEx, Amazon and other delivery vehicles as well as a few teenagers that simply do not abide by the signage.

A "Bike Boulevard" would do absolutely nothing to slow traffic on the street. Paint on the roads is not a deterrent. and the road is not wide enough to partition it into thirds- unless you were to undertake a road widening project, in which case I would be in favor.

Speed bumps are sub-optimal as well. While they can slow routine traffic down, they also affect how fast emergency vehicles arrive at locations on our street. A number of residents on our street are "aging in place" and in an emergency situation, where seconds could be the difference between life and death, anything that further slows the EMS vehicles would be disastrous. Not to mention in the event of a fire, every second counts. 3 speed bumps = 30 seconds delay.

The best solution would be twofold/ Make a permanent driver feedback sign (like the one temporarily installed. and randomly post speed monitoring police throughout the month. The benefits would be enormous, speed would be decreased and the neighborhood would gain a further sense of security knowing an officer is right nearby. Break-ins would go down and packages would disappear from porches less.

Thank you for your attention

Leona Sanfilippo
205 Cobblestone Dr.
Chapel Hill, NC 27516
lsanfilippo1@nc.rr.com

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 10:36 AM
To: 'Mary Karnes'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Dr future bike path

Dear Ms. Karnes,

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Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Karnes [mailto:marykar22000@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 7:46 AM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Dr future bike path

As someone who has lived in the Cobblestone subdivision for many years I see no need for speed bumps and a bike path. There isn't that much traffic nor do people drive that fast. So we really don't need a speed bump. The street isn't as wide as say Pathway so adding a bike path would take away space not to forget the restrictions about parking on the street. So I'm against this change. I think many of agree,

Mary Karnes
218 Cobblestone Dr

Sent from my iPad

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 10:35 AM
To: '12Gauge'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive "bike boulevard" and speed mitigating issues

Dear Mr. Sanfilippo,

Thank you for reaching out and your comments have been recorded.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

-----Original Message-----

From: 12Gauge [mailto:12gaugewire@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 9:57 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Drive "bike boulevard" and speed mitigating issues

Mr. Hallock,

I may not be able to attend the meeting planned for Saturday, so I'm submitting my comments directly to you.

I've been a resident of the street for about 13 years and was HOA president for 2 years. During my tenure as president, the issue of traffic mitigation had waxed and waned with the season and changes of residence along the section of the street between Pathway & Rockgarden.

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Thank you for your attention
Mikel Sanfilippo & Lisa Sanfilippo
211 Cobblestone Dr.
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Thursday, May 02, 2019 10:03 AM
To: 'Raymond Karnes'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone traffic calming

Dear Mr. Karnes,

Thank you for reaching out, your comment has been received.

For the sake of clarity, no part of the bicycle boulevard would involve the addition of bike lanes on Cobblestone. Potential changes would primarily include traffic calming devices, but the specific device would depend on what the neighborhood's preference is.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

-----Original Message-----

From: Raymond Karnes [mailto:raykar2@icloud.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 6:19 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone traffic calming

I will not be able to attend the meeting about Cobblestone traffic calming proposals and want to voice my opinions. I am against speed bumps but if most of the people are in favor that's ok with me. I am strongly against making bike lanes on Cobblestone. On street parking is a recognized traffic calming technique. Bike lanes would prohibit on street parking for much of the day and would work against the goals of slowing traffic. Also prohibiting on street parking would be a major inconvenience to Cobblestone residents. There is not so much traffic on Cobblestone that bike lanes would add to biker safety.

Thanks

Ray Karnes
218 Cobblestone Dr.

Email Comments Related to the installation of the Pilot Project

Zachary Hallock

From: Patricia J. McGuire
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 10:42 AM
To: Christina Moon; Zachary Hallock
Subject: FW: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

From: Ann Lloyd [mailto:annlloyd793@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 10:19 AM
To: Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Re: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Hello, We live at 117 Cobblestone. The traffic calming devices are directly in front of our house. We are hoping the poles are NOT going to remain there. A speed bump would be fine, but dont you think it would be more suitable for the speed bump to be in between 117 and 119 in the middle of the yards? Better yet, shouldnt all of these traffic devices be at the bottom of the hill where children live??? The so called bike lanes are throwing our cars into oncoming traffic. A disaster is waiting to occur...

It's a bit much for Cobblestone to be put in dangers way only to accommodate people that live in other areas and use our streets as cut throughs.

On Sat, Aug 10, 2019, 8:13 PM Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org> wrote:

Dear Residents,

Thank you for all the input on the recent traffic calming installation. Please consider joining us for a neighborhood meeting to discuss the pilot installation and next steps in the traffic calming process this coming Tuesday, August 13th, from 5 to 7 pm in Room 110 at the Carrboro Town Hall.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Patricia McGuire

Planning Director

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Zachary Hallock

From: Ann Lloyd <annlloyd793@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 6:05 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Fwd: Cobblestone Traffic Calming Issue

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I am forwarding the same email sent to the email as requested.

WE ARE OPPOSED TO THE TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES AND BIKE LANES.

It is an very unsightly to the neighborhood and very concerning as residents of Cobblestone Drive. It is unfortunately in front of my house (as shared in the email below, no children live here.)

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Ann Lloyd <annlloyd793@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Aug 2, 2019, 5:42 PM
Subject: Cobblestone Traffic Calming Issue
To: <boa@townofcarrboro.org>

My husband and I have been residents of Cobblestone Drive for approximately 30 years and have raised two children. There were approximately 30 children or more in the neighborhood as we raised our kids. They all are grown and have moved away. We never have seen or heard of an accident to a child or anyone caused by a vehicle on this street. I very much am opposed to the bike lanes and speed bump. The unsightly columns have unfortunately been placed in front of my house. This is unsightly as well as an issue for us to get out of our drive. We would kindly appreciate these being removed or moved as quickly as they were erected.

Zachary Hallock

From: Andy & Boyd Blackburn <andyboyd523@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:25 AM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: AGAINST traffic calming on Cobblestone Drive

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My name is Boyd Blackburn. I live on Cobblestone Place. Our household (including my wife) is definitely against speed bumps on Cobblestone Drive. We have already had two cars whose suspensions have been worn out unusually quickly by the long-term effects of the speed bumps on James St, so we are definitely anti-speed bumps (and also against adding an unnecessary stop sign). Other more mild traffic calming devices such as visually narrowing the road, etc would probably be fine. Honestly, I feel like the Cobblestone Drive residents already won the war when the town did not make the road a connector between Hillsborough Rd and Homestead. This new traffic calming issue feels like just one or two anxious parents with young children who are trying to manage their anxiety. Traffic is already quite calm and slow in our neighborhood.

Regarding the bicycle boulevard issue, I am probably the single heaviest user of Cobblestone Drive as a bicycle route because I use it to commute to my job at Smith Middle School (made even easier recently by completion of paths around Homestead Dr - thank you!). The traffic on the road is so light that I usually just ride down the middle and pass nobody in either direction. Marked bike lanes are unnecessary. If you want to designate it as some kind of official bike route, I am in favor of that mainly because it will alert people to how easy it is to bike to and from Chapel Hill HS using that route.

Thank you,
 - Boyd Blackburn

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Andy and Boyd Blackburn
 105 Cobblestone Place
 Chapel Hill, NC 27516
 919.932.0887 (Boyd cell)
 919.932.0571 (Andy cell)
andyboyd523@gmail.com

Zachary Hallock

From: Keith Collins <keithcollins@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 6:14 PM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Home Owner on Cobblestone - Traffic Calming

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Hello,

I am the home owner at 119 Cobblestone Drive. Thanks for working on traffic-calming options for Cobblestone Drive. They are needed for the section of road on the hill and just below it (not all the way to Rock Garden).

However, I have some concerns over the newly installed traffic-calming devices on Cobblestone Drive. The white vertical poles that were installed as a bike "path" seem to cause more harm than good. It causes issues with the traffic riding on the wrong side of the road 100% of the time, instead of when a bike rider is actually on the road. This is likely to cause an accident. The poles also cause an issue with entering/exiting some driveways. Again a traffic flow issue. The poles are also pretty ugly and could impact home prices. As a bike rider I would probably avoid riding through the poles to avoid hitting them.

I am ok with replacing the two sets of white vertical poles with speed bumps. I am ok with more bike signs painted on the road.

I am not ok with forced or hindered traffic.

Regards,

Keith Collins
119 Cobblestone Drive
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Zachary Hallock

From: Carol Offen <caroloffen@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 3:07 PM
To: Heather Tatreau
Cc: Zachary Hallock; Karin Crozier; Joe Crozier; Jason; Gina Lacava; Dena Papazoglou; Neil Offen
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Dr. traffic calming feedback

I also live on Cobblestone Drive and fully agree with Ms. Tatreau's concerns about the bike lanes. The top of the hill near Pathway has always been problematic even before the bike lanes. Adding another reason for cars to drive in the center of the road needlessly increases the dangers. Further, this morning, when dumpsters were curbside, in addition to the occasional cars parked along the curb, the flow of traffic was even more encumbered.

I too urge the removal of these bike lanes.

Thank you for considering our concerns.

Sincerely,

Carol Offen
www.kidneydonorhelp.com
 @CarolOffen

On Thu, Aug 1, 2019 at 2:37 PM Heather Tatreau <hltatreau@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello,

I live on Cobblestone Dr. where some traffic calming devices were installed this week. I understand the need for the four way stop and one speed bump at the curve in the road. I think these two things are enough to address the problem of speeding on our street.

However, the bike lane devices are extremely hazardous to cars. Our street is not wide enough to accommodate bike lanes. The devices force cars to drive in the middle of the road and only one car can pass at a time. I am especially concerned about the ones at the top of the hill where there is no visibility over it. I am worried about a head on collision if cars cannot see one other while being forced to drive in the center of the road. This becomes even more concerning when cars are parked on the street. I am strongly opposed to keeping these devices permanently!

Please keep me updated on the status of this project and a timeline for possible removal of the bike lane devices. I am copying some of my neighbors so that they can weigh in as well.

Thank you for your time!

Heather Tatreau
 215 Cobblestone Dr.

Zachary Hallock

From: Debra <dbaringtang@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 8:50 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: traffic calming installations on Cobblestone Dr

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello,

I am writing in response to the request for feedback on the temporary traffic calming installations on Cobblestone Drive.

Placing a traffic calming installation at the top of the hill has limited effect as it does not prevent speeding down the hill. Even when simply coasting down the hill after slowing for the installation, a vehicle can exceed 35 mph. For an installation to even remotely affect the overall speed of traffic, it would need to be placed toward the middle of the hill, where speed increases. Note that the chicanes are no more effective than the cars parked on the side of the road.

I am opposed to the street being designated as a bike boulevard, especially if traffic calming devices do not slow cyclists. Cyclists can easily reach high speeds while coming down the hill, which is hazardous, especially with the limited visibility due to the curve in the road.

Debra Baringtang

126 Cobblestone Dr

Zachary Hallock

From: Frazier, Dianne M <dianne_frazier@med.unc.edu>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 11:13 AM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic calming

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We live at 116 and 114 Cobblestone Drive. We are opposed to the traffic calming devices on our road. We have, unfortunately need EMS services several times over the last year. The calming devises in Cates Farm have impeded the progress of the vehicle and interfered with medical interventions that were being initiated inside the vehicle.

As for the “ bicycle boulevard” designation, I believe Cobblestone Drive is not the right road for this. Young neighborhood children often ride several abreast during play and a dedicated lane will not change that. Many families park in front of their homes because they have several vehicles or because they want the drive way to be cleared for children’s safe play. When cars are parked on the street, the proposed bicycle lanes, narrow the road even more.

Although traffic calming devices sound good in theory, periodic patrol car speed checks, as are so successful on the highway, seem like a better option.

James and Dianne Frazier

Zachary Hallock

From: Dena Papazoglou <dena.papazoglou@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 3:28 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Cc: Heather Tatreau; Carol Offen; Karin Crozier; Joe Crozier; Jason; Gina Lacava; Neil Offen; Michael Papazoglou; raykar2@me.com
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Dr. traffic calming feedback

Mr. Hallock,

I also live on Cobblestone Drive, and I concur with the feedback from my neighbors, Heather Tatreau and Carol Offen.

I appreciate the attention to safety improvements on our street. The 3-way stop and speed bump seem like useful traffic calming measures. However, the white vertical barriers at the side of the road do not add much in the way of safety, and in fact pose a considerable potential hazard. For example, risk of head on collision with cars coming over the hill with limited visibility and dangerous congestion with oncoming cars, town curbside services, bicycles and pedestrians. I ask that they be removed.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Regards,
 Dena Papazoglou
 703-801-8897

On Aug 1, 2019, at 3:06 PM, Carol Offen <caroloffen@gmail.com> wrote:

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Heather Tatreau

215 Cobblestone Dr.

Zachary Hallock

From: Patricia J. McGuire
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 10:17 AM
To: Zachary Hallock; Christina Moon
Subject: FW: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

From: Dena Papazoglou [mailto:dena.papazoglou@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 9:56 AM
To: Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
Cc: boa <boa@townofcarrboro.org>; David Andrews <dandrews@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Re: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Dear Ms. McGuire,

Thank you for the update and notice of the public meeting. I am out of town this week, and would like to provide an additional comment in writing:

I support the idea of a bike corridor in Cobblestone, but I believe our road is too narrow for painted lines or the white vertical dividers to designate the bike lane. Rather, I believe it is most appropriate to keep the signs saying this is a bike lane, and painted bicycle and arrows on the street - to indicate that bikes and cars are supposed to share the road.

In this "shared road" spirit, I would not want to see any measures to prevent the roadside to be used for parking, leaves, trash/recycling pickup as it has been previously. Under these conditions, bikes and cars both are responsible for navigating all that safely -which provides a natural traffic calming effect in itself.

Thanks again for the opportunity to provide feedback on this project. We sincerely appreciate the efforts to improve the safety of our street for all who use it.

Dena Papazoglou

703-801-8897

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Patricia McGuire

Planning Director

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Zachary Hallock

From: Daniel Snipes
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Cc: Kristen Benoit; Joe Guckavan
Subject: Cobblestone Complaint

Zach,

Diane Rothwell at (919)949-8274 called to express her concern with the speed hump on Cobblestone. She says the speed hump runs the entire width of the street and doesn't give room for bicycles to go around without having to slow down. Just wanted to pass this along if you would like to call her for further details. I know this is a pilot program and just want to pass along any comments Public works receives to document. Thanks

Thanks,

Daniel Snipes
Public Works Superintendent
Town of Carrboro
301 W. Main St.
Carrboro, NC 27510
919-918-7432

Zachary Hallock

From: Thompson, Daniel <dthomp@email.unc.edu>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 10:41 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Carrboro Bicycle Transportation Plan: dangerous road infrastructure installed without signage

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Dear Mr. Hallock,

I'm writing about a dangerous speed bump which has recently been installed at the nadir of Cobblestone Dr. in Carrboro, between Pathway Dr. and Rockgarden Rd. I was out cycling this evening, descending on Cobblestone from the south slope, when the speed bump appeared in my field of vision without warning. Fortunately, I am a relatively experienced cyclist, and I was able to sit up and "brace for impact" without panicking too much. I am seriously concerned though that, especially due to the lack of any "speed bump ahead" signage, a less experienced rider might try to swerve to narrowly avoid the bump and crash at 30mph or more.

Speed bumps are generally dangerous for cyclists (especially on streets which are free of fast-moving vehicular traffic like Cobblestone Dr. in Carrboro). I think that the best solution would be to remove the speed bump immediately, or move it to a part of the road at which riders and cars may not have built up speed and be suddenly taken by surprise.

Please respond if you would like to further discuss this dangerous issue with our roads,
 Dr. Daniel Thompson

Zachary Hallock

From: Deborah Vanderford <debbie.vanderford@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 7:42 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone traffic calming

Hello Zachary. I met you earlier this summer in the Cobblestone field when you came to present some options. I provided my contact information at that time but never received any information from you including the email to inform us of today's installation. Please include Joe and I in all communication related to Cobblestone traffic devices. We would also like to be notified when this issue will be addressed by the Board.

Thank you,

Debbie Vanderford
debbie.vanderford@duke.edu

Joe Vanderford
joevandy@mindspring.com

Zachary Hallock

From: Gina Lacava <Glacava@nc.rr.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 1:04 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Dr.

Hello Mr. Hallock,

I'm coming to the Cobblestone traffic calming devices party a little late, sorry to say.

We have lived on Cobblestone Drive since 1999 and I don't recall any speeding incidents that have occurred. Why all of the sudden do we need traffic calming devices? Was there an incident involving excessive speeding?

Just wondering what the heck is going on.

Best regards,

Gina Lacava
217 Cobblestone Dr.

Zachary Hallock

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215 Cobblestone Dr.

Zachary Hallock

From: Janis Basnight <janisbasnight@att.net>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 7:00 PM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone

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Never liked them and do not want them. However, if we have to have them let's construct them like Lorraine street. I am talking about a nuisance called a speed bump. What in the world with the new stop signs? Just something else for someone to RUN through.

Jesse Basnight Jr.
204 Cobblestone Dr.

Zachary Hallock

From: Jody Benedict <nickally@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 07, 2019 8:54 AM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone

I am a Cobblestone resident, and I strongly oppose the traffic calming devices installed recently on my street. I do not support this road use as a "bicycle boulevard".

I have lived on Cobblestone Drive for 23 years. I have driven up and down this street thousands of times. There has already been the need to swerve around cars parked on the side of the road, requiring dangerous movement across midline into oncoming cars with limited visual field going up the hill toward Pathway. Adding bicycles and poles and a speed bump all add to the likelihood of collision in one form or another (bicycles/cars).

A bike lane painted to one side - sure. But these ridiculous slalom poles are an eyesore and a danger that encourages cars to cross over into the path of oncoming vehicles. Add bike traffic to that and this is more dangerous than ever!!

Please remove all calming devices! I can imagine the annoyance felt by property owners who have to look at these poles in front of their houses. They just are not necessary!

Jody Benedict
128 Cobblestone Drive

Sent from my iPhone

Zachary Hallock

From: Jami Burns <jamiburns13@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 11:10 AM
To: Zachary Hallock; boa
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming - Pilot Project Installation

Dear Mr. Hallock and Board members,

I am writing to express my opposition to the traffic calming installations along Cobblestone Drive. I have lived on this road for almost thirty years. When I look at all the other residential streets in Carrboro, I wonder what is so unique about Cobblestone Drive that necessitates the measures that have been taken. I have never known speeding to be a particular problem here. Typically, many homeowners and visitors park on the street which means two cars traveling in opposite directions are unable to pass through many spots at the same time. That fact makes the street a little difficult to navigate as is. It is also routine to have a group of deer crossing the street at any time day or night, which is another natural reason that residents and people passing through tend to slow down and drive with caution. The radar device at the start of the downhill slope has made me aware of the fact that my speed sometimes creeps up above 25 in that stretch, so this has been a good reminder. However, the bump, the stop sign, and the unsightly plastic poles (which I do not understand the purpose of) are overkill in my opinion. They make driving on the road annoying and unpleasant. The poles at the top of the street are placed in an area where sight lines are blocked by the hill, and a couple of poles in the other locations have already been damaged somehow. If I were new to the area and interested in buying a house on the road, I'd reconsider based on these changes. I feel they detract from the positives of the neighborhood and do more to distract drivers than to make the roadway safe.

I wasn't able to attend the meeting about the issue that was held a month or so ago because I was out of town. Is there traffic data that supports these measures or widespread agreement from others in the neighborhood that these changes are needed? I appreciate your time in considering my opposition to these changes.

Sincerely,

Jami Burns
 212 Cobblestone Drive

On Wed, Jul 24, 2019 at 3:40 PM Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org> wrote:

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Thank you for your patience with us as this project moves forward.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock, AICP, EI

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Zachary Hallock

From: Patricia J. McGuire
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 9:10 AM
To: Christina Moon; Zachary Hallock
Subject: FW: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

From: Joshua d'Adolf [mailto:eggars2m@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 10, 2019 8:29 PM
To: Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
Cc: boa <boa@townofcarrboro.org>; David Andrews <dandrews@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Re: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Good evening, Ms. McGuire,

Thank you and the rest of the Board for your efforts in helping us calm the speed of traffic on the 100 block of Cobblestone Drive.

I'm sorry that I will be out of town for this very important meeting. I would be interested to hear the results of the information gathered. I will also respectfully submit one last "nod" for the use of the speed bumps. The one placed on the curve at the bottom of the hill has certainly slowed the traffic at that limited sight distance section of Cobblestone Dr. I hope that consideration will be given to applying that same tool to the hill and the top of the hill where speed continues to be an issue (in spite of the Chicanes).

With sincere thanks to you all...

Josh and Rena Dadolf

From: Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
Sent: Saturday, August 10, 2019 5:13 PM
Cc: boa <boa@townofcarrboro.org>; David Andrews <dandrews@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Dear Residents,

Thank you for all the input on the recent traffic calming installation. Please consider joining us for a neighborhood meeting to discuss the pilot installation and next steps in the traffic calming process this coming Tuesday, August 13th, from 5 to 7 pm in Room 110 at the Carrboro Town Hall.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Patricia McGuire

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Zachary Hallock

From: Joshua d'Adolf <beggars2m@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 7:31 PM
To: Damon Seils; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic calming on Cobblestone

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Dear Damon and Zach,

We wanted to extend a sincere thank you for the efforts to date in helping us address the issue of excessive speed on Cobblestone Drive.

Our concerns remain with the "bike friendly" designation. The curve and the hill, combined with the speed that some drive, make this a dangerous place for bikes. Our concern is that the signage and the road symbols create an illusion of bike safety and we frankly don't think we are there yet.

The chicanes (correct spelling?) are an interesting tool. They do seem to slow folks down, if for no other reason than to allow a car in the opposite lane pass by. However, we have serious concerns regarding the placement of one of these chicanes. It is right in front of 106 Cobblestone Drive. This is at the very crest of the hill. Drivers heading down the hill have no other option than to start down the hill in the on-coming lane of traffic. Folks coming up the hill cannot clearly see if/when there is a car navigating past this particular chicane. It seems to have made this section of road feel more dangerous, rather than less. If the chicanes are going to be a traffic calming tool on a more permanent basis, I wonder if that particular chicane can be moved away from the very top of the hill?

I think so far, for what it is worth, we are feeling most optimistic about the speed humps. The temporary hump seems to be the perfect height to slow folks down, but not so high that cars are scraping or bottoming out when they go over them. Our vote thus far is for several speed humps to be placed strategically on Cobblestone between Pathway and Rockgarden.

We would also like to offer, for your consideration, that the residents of Cobblestone Drive on the 200 block are having a very different experience with traffic on Cobblestone. At 200 Cobblestone (the intersection of Rockgarden and Cobblestone, the road becomes a long dead-end. Although many of our friends and neighbors on that stretch of Cobblestone are affected by the traffic calming devices, (seen as a nuisance) they are not experiencing the same impact of the number of cars and the rate of speed with which they travel up and down Cobblestone Drive between Pathway and Rockgarden. Although they share the same street name, they are essentially two very different roads. We hope you will take this into serious consideration when evaluating the feedback from residents.

Again, we thank you for your efforts thus far. We are grateful to see the action that has been taken and hope that this will ultimately improve the overall safety of our neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted,
 Josh and Rena Dadolf

Zachary Hallock

From: Johna Enders <westenders@att.net>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 1:55 PM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic Calming on Cobblestone Drive

Hello,

I am writing to express my opposition to the traffic calming measures being tested on Cobblestone Drive, for the following reasons:

1. The plastic poles merely add additional obstacles to a street that is already impeded by parked cars on both sides on a daily basis. Residents must drive slowly, stop and wait for oncoming cars, and "slalom" our way up and down the street all the time, due to parked cars that narrow the through lane to one-way. Thus the poles are redundant, as well as being awkwardly placed to block sightlines on our very steep hill.

2. Likewise, it seems that the temporary speed bump is situated in a less-than-ideal location, at the bottom of said hill. It is my belief that this will not prevent people from speeding down the hill, which in reality some do, but rather will cause them to brake abruptly at the bottom, to go over the speed bump safely. Therefore, it doesn't seem like this will solve the problem it's meant to address.

Having lived in this neighborhood for 5 years, I've observed many bicyclists using our streets, with no apparent difficulty. I believe that residents are aware of bikers and share the roads appropriately in our neighborhood, without extra measures needed. However, it is also notable that there are not consistent bike lanes in our group of neighborhoods (including Cates Farm, Wyndham, Rockgarden, etc.) which might be a useful step, if it's even possible, given the width of our roads.

I appreciate your attention to our safety, and the opportunity to share my thoughts on this matter.

Best,
Johna Enders (123 Cobblestone Drive)

Zachary Hallock

From: Jen Johnston <jenjohnston7@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 12:22 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic calming on Cobblestone

THANK YOU for working on traffic calming on Cobblestone. I live on Stratford, which would also benefit from slowing folks down, although our experience is speed bumps do nothing to slow anyone down who has no intention of slowing down. They simply fly over them. But, I do appreciate any efforts to slow cars down in our neighborhoods. Good luck.

Can you explain what the white, flexible posts collected together at various intervals are? The ones at the top of Cobblestone, near Pathway, create an issue when it comes to seeing the oncoming traffic. I think someone should go down there and check. If you pull onto the street, and attempt to make your way around this collection of posts, you do not have a clear visual as to the oncoming traffic due to the hill. This is an accident waiting to happen. I think the placement needs to be further up or further down if these are serving a particular, permanent purpose.

Thanks,
Jen Johnston
100 Stratford
919-937-8691

Zachary Hallock

From: Jennifer MacKinnon <jenhmackinnon@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 5:42 PM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic calming on Cobblestone Drive

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Mr. Hallock and Carrboro Board of Aldermen,

I would like to start out by applauding your efforts to calm traffic on Cobblestone Drive. I have lived at 105 Cobblestone Dr. for the last 21 years. Over that time, I have seen our quiet street become busier and busier with cars speeding up the road. Since we live just past the crest of the hill, it is often difficult to see cars speeding up the hill until they are very close to our house. This often makes pulling out of our driveway or crossing the street on foot a difficult proposition.

I am very much in favor of making traffic calming measures a permanent fixture on Cobblestone. I think that the four way stop sign at the corner of Rockgarden and Cobblestone is fantastic. I also think that the speed bump at the bottom of the hill is a great idea. I hope that those measures become permanent.

However, the plastic posts that were installed in two spots on the street are very problematic. First, they cause cars to have to move into oncoming traffic to get around them. Where they are placed makes this particularly dangerous. The posts in front of 106 Cobblestone are right at the crest of the hill. At this location, it is difficult to see another car coming up the hill. If a car maneuvers into the other side of the road to go around the posts, they run the risk of being hit head on by a car that is speeding up the road. The posts that are near the Rockgarden intersection are equally problematic. Again, moving into the opposing lane is impractical and dangerous so close to a four way intersection. The second problem with the posts is that they are an incredible eye-sore and will surely drive down property values for any house where they are positioned.

A simple solution to both of these problems would be to install speed bumps in their place. Not only do speed bumps allow drivers to stay in their lanes, they are visually unobtrusive, and they do the job of slowing down traffic.

As an aside, encouraging bike traffic down Cobblestone is dangerous and ridiculous and does nothing to address the problem at hand.

I realize that there are a few very vocal residents of Cobblestone that are opposed to all traffic calming measures. However, those residents primarily live toward the end of the 200 block of the street. They are not affected by traffic flying up the hill at dangerous speeds. They are not affected by the fact that Cobblestone Drive is used as a cut through between Homestead Rd. and Hillsborough Rd. I believe that their opposition to traffic calming measures is completely selfish and short-sided.

Cobblestone Drive will continue to become busier and busier as development on Homestead Rd. continues, unabated. Unless sensible traffic calming measures are put into place, Cobblestone Drive will become a major route between the north end of Chapel Hill and the town of Carrboro. I urge you to install permanent speed bumps along Cobblestone Drive so that those of us affected by the fast moving traffic don't take our lives in our hands every time we want to cross the street!

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Jennifer Heisler-MacKinnon

Zachary Hallock

From: jon parker <jsparker1@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Dr

Mr. Hallock, I have been a resident of Carrboro / CH for 22 years. We love this community and have raised our 3 kids here. We have lived on Rock Garden Rd for 9 years and I have seen the traffic increased as we continue to develop more and more along Homestead road and the surround areas. Frankly, it is very disappointing to see so much development, and what appears to be a lack of interest in protecting open / green space. That being said, it is creating more traffic though our neighborhood.

I understand the desire and likely the need for traffic calming measures in the area of Rock Garden and Cobblestone. Perhaps when school starts post a few police cars in the neighborhood and nail the kids flying through on the way to / from school? I work from home and my office faces the street. Believe me, there is a lot of speeding and stop sign coasting.

I noticed the steps that were just put in place on Cobblestone Dr. to be honest, I have no idea what you were thinking with the bike pylons on the road? I can see that on a more heavily traveled road, but it make no sense at all on this road. In fact, if you want to improve the bike safety on Cobblestone, perhaps ask cars NOT to park on the road. they are creating obstacles for cars and bikes to go around, which in my opinion, creates a dangerous situation for bikes and drivers.

Just my 2 cents from 305 Rockgarden Rd.

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Jon Parker

919 949 1767

Zachary Hallock

From: joe vanderford <joevandy@mindspring.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 11:53 AM
To: Zachary Hallock
Cc: deb.vanderford@gmail.com
Subject: cobblestone traffic calming updates

zachary,

it was nice to meet you on cobblestone dr this morning.

to summarize our conversation: it seems that information about the proposed traffic calming process in cobblestone is not being distributed to everyone in this neighborhood. several folks who signed a to-be-contacted sheet at a recent meeting have not received updated information, including my family.

my wife, deborah, has forwarded you an abbreviated neighborhood contact sheet. our family would like for you to communicate with EVERYONE in the neighborhood directly, not through any intermediary who may have a 'rooting interest' in the proposed traffic plan.

not everyone in this neighborhood is a proponent of traffic calming devices, but everyone deserves to know exactly what is happening directly from the town of carrboro.

we are especially interested in any board of alderman meetings (or any other meetings) where cobblestone traffic is discussed.

dialog welcome -- and thanks.

joe vanderford (resident for 21 years)
129 cobblestone dr
cell 919-260-2998

Zachary Hallock

From: Kim Powers <kimpowers@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 11:53 AM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Cc: eli rosen
Subject: Support for Cobblestone Traffic-Calming Measures

Dear Board of Aldermen and Mr. Hallock:

As residents of 100 Cobblestone Drive, we are writing in firm support of the traffic-calming efforts being implemented on our street. In particular, we very much appreciate the new speed bump; however, we are wondering if additional speed bumps could be considered farther up the hill, as it seems like a single speed bump at the very bottom of a very long hill might do little to slow cars' speed as they travel down the hill. We are fairly neutral on the bicycle boulevard, as we don't see a lot of bike traffic on the street; however, we are concerned that the specific placement of the plastic poles near the crest of the hill could be dangerous. It seems that traffic traveling in both directions will have limited visibility of traffic coming in the other direction just before reaching those poles, and we are concerned that a collision could occur when a car traveling down the hill needs to go around the poles with limited visibility. We don't have any objection to the existence of these poles; we just wonder if pole placement could be altered.

Thanks for your efforts to make our street safer! There are many small children in the neighborhood (including three of our own) and we are often dismayed at the speed with which cars travel on our street.

Thank you!
Kim Powers & Eli Rosen
100 Cobblestone Drive

Zachary Hallock

From: Kenneth Reiter <kreiter@belmontsayre.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 8:53 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone

Zach,

Appreciate your interest in getting feedback from neighbors.

I live on Rock Garden Road and utilize cobblestone Road at least 4 to 8 times per day.

it's a little bit confusing what traffic calming measures are really accomplishing. It appears there are possible bike Lanes to help slow down traffic there may be some poles that are acting as ways to narrow the road to slow traffic and there's also a speed bump. Are they meant to be used all together maybe just to maybe just one. Very confusing.

the speed bump seems to be unusually located at the bottom of the hill where it may cause more damage to car suspensions. Wouldn't it make more sense to have the speed bump further up or down the hill instead of the bottom?

the poles are situated in a location where you have limited sight distance and you may have to drive your car into an oncoming lane if tumor oncoming traffic.

overall, I think it's very confusing. I am aware there are a couple of residents who are concerned with overall speed of traffic but to be honest I don't think these roads were designed for bike Lanes or traffic calming measures. I'd like to understand the basis of design of the subdivision when it was constructed to determine if any improvements are even feasible based on the traffic standards.

by putting more speed bumps in traffic calming it just further constricts the arteries that are already overloaded. In this particular instance, we need more opportunities for cut through traffic to eliminate the widening and further expansion of the road.

Appreciate all you do but I think this doesn't make much sense.

How will the final decision be made for any improvements? When will that decision be made? And what will be the cost?

Ken

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 9:19 AM
To: 'Kaitlin Powers'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming - Pilot Project Installation

Dear Ms. Powers,

Thank you for your comments.

We are monitoring the project and will incorporate resident feedback into any future recommendations.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
 Town of Carrboro

From: Kaitlin Powers [mailto:kapow87@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 7:56 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming - Pilot Project Installation

Good evening,

I was totally caught off guard today by a 4 way stop at Cobblestone and rock garden rd. I wasn't aware of any discussion about changing the traffic pattern on the street (just traffic calming devices). I know that I'm not the only person who probably blew through the new stop sign because no one expects it to be there. I honestly only realized after reading someone's note on the next door app. I suppose this is a two part question:

1. Why wasn't a change to enforceable traffic laws (I.e a stop sign) explicitly brought anyone's attention prior to its installation?
2. Why is this even necessary/was a complaint or recommendation specifically made for this?

It seems the only people it is affecting are those living on the side of Cobblestone between rock garden and the cul de sac. Anyone turning onto or off of Cobblestone is already slowing down (either to conduct a left hand turn onto rock garden or coming to a stop prior to executing a right hand turn onto it). You're literally stopping about a dozen people who are already respecting the traffic laws (those on the cul de sac side of cobblestone), rather than those in

neighboring areas speeding up our street to the exit on Greensboro. This seems a little extreme. If the point is to slow traffic, why not just stick a stop sign right at the bottom of the hill coming down from pathway? (In the vicinity of 127 Cobblestone? Or near the field where we had our meeting?). That would actually force people to slow in a spot where speeding is more prevalent.

Thanks and I really appreciate (and do not envy) your role as the recipient of our feedback.

Sincerely,

Kaitlin Skiver

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Zachary Hallock

From: Kaitlin Powers <kapow87@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 6:30 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Cc: boa
Subject: Traffic calming on Cobblestone

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Good evening,

I am a current resident on Cobblestone Drive (209 Cobblestone) and am writing to express my opposition to both the traffic calming measures and new bicycle path that are currently in their testing phase on our street. Aside from the seemingly ineffective and dangerous placement of the temporary calming measures, I do not believe that such measures are necessary.

I walk my two children and dog on a daily basis up and down Cobblestone during the morning "rush hour". I have never felt unsafe due to vehicle traffic or speeds, and believe that calming measures would create new safety issues (it's difficult to safely place them on a winding, hilly, and narrow road). Additionally, it would cause unnecessary inconvenience to the current residents of Cobblestone and neighboring areas. If it might make it less safe, or at the very least not any more safe, it wouldn't be worth this inconvenience.

The nature of Cobblestone (particularly the blind curves) also makes me question it as a safe option for a bicycle boulevard (and doubly so if calming measures are added). It is also important to note that a very safe (dedicated lane on both sides of the road) bicycle boulevard already exists on Stratford drive and cates farm road. I am not sure why an additional bicycle boulevard is needed.

Sincerely,
 Kaitlin Skiver

Zachary Hallock

From: Mike Ederle <mike@ederle.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 6:31 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Cc: boa
Subject: Recent Traffic Calming to Cobblestone Drive

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi Zachary,

My name is Mike Ederle and I live on Cobblestone Drive – actually on the corner of Rockgarden Road and Cobblestone Drive. We have lived here since 2002, so my guess is we have lived on Cobblestone Drive nearly as long as any current resident. I want to share my views of the recent traffic calming changes made to Cobblestone Drive. We've raised my two daughters here during the last 17 years as well as have had a few pets. I have never worried about the safety of my children on Cobblestone Drive due to cars or their speed. I don't see traffic problems on our street, or at best see them as minor.

The 4-way stop installed at the corner of Cobblestone Drive and Rockgarden Road is prudent. This will cause cars to move more slowly through that intersection which can be busy. However, the plastic poles to create bike lanes creates safety issues. They cause both cars and bicyclists to move into the opposite lane creating the risk of head-on collisions. We already have this safety issue with parked cars, especially on curves and at the top of the street where visibility to oncoming traffic is limited. You've now added three more instances of traffic being moved into a single lane. In just the few days of the plastic poles being installed, my wife and I have not seen a single bicycle go through the plastic poles. Instead they are steering around them.

The speed hump installed doesn't address cars exceeding the speed limit coming down the hill, since cars already slow down there because it is on an area of the street which curves.

In terms of making Cobblestone Drive into a permanent bicycle boulevard, I believe this will increase bicycle traffic and lower property values on our street. With the current changes, Cobblestone Drive is now a driving obstacle course for both cars and bicycles. I doubt any resident of Cobblestone wants to see their property values drop due to these extreme changes.

In summary, I feel the changes that have been made are excessive for the perceived problem and actually create new safety issues. My recommendations are to remove the speed hump as well as all the bike lane plastic poles.

Thanks,

Mike

Zachary Hallock

From: Patricia J. McGuire
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 9:09 AM
To: Zachary Hallock; Christina Moon
Subject: FW: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Please save with other pilot feedback.

Thank you.

Trish

From: Mark Everson [mailto:meverson001@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2019 2:45 PM
To: Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
Cc: boa <boa@townofcarrboro.org>; David Andrews <dandrews@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Re: Neighborhood Meeting - Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Dear Patricia,

Thank you for scheduling the August 13th meeting to discuss the installation of traffic calming devices on Cobblestone Drive. I think you will find that we Cobblestone residents are quite reasonable in our concerns and will cooperate with you and your staff in identifying cost-effective solutions.

I hope that there will be an opportunity to address two other related issues at this meeting:

- 1) Given the street's narrow width, is Cobblestone Drive a realistic and safe choice for designation as a bike blvd.?
- 2) If Cobblestone is designated as a bike blvd., how will our current on-street parking be affected?

There is a third, more serious and more fundamental question that has emerge from these deliberations:

- 3) Given that only a small minority of Carrboro residents are active cyclists (5-10%?), how is it that in the course of the last 15 years or so, Carrboro town policy has evolved from promoting bike use, to prioritizing bikes over vehicles, to implementing punitive measures to discourage vehicle use in the form of parking restrictions first downtown and now in the neighborhoods?

I realize that this issue likely warrants a larger, more public forum than our Cobblestone meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark and Katharine Everson

On Sat, Aug 10, 2019 at 8:13 PM Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org> wrote:

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Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Patricia McGuire

Planning Director

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Zachary Hallock

From: Mark Everson <meverson001@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 1:56 AM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Dr. on-street parking

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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With the addition of bike lanes on Cobblestone Drive, are there plans to restrict on-street parking for autos? As residents of 109 Cobblestone Dr. for 30+ years, my wife and I depend upon street parking for guests.

Mark Everson

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Zachary Hallock

From: Mark Everson <meverson001@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 12:36 AM
To: boa
Cc: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Turning Cobblestone Drive into a Bike Blvd.

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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The plan to turn Cobblestone Dr. into a bike blvd. is poorly conceived and not adequately researched. Rather than depending upon staff reports, we would encourage you to drive down Cobblestone -- especially during an evening after work when the bicyclists under the new plan would be out in numbers.

If you take the time to visit our neighborhood before you make your decision, you will note the following:

- 1) Cobblestone is a narrow street.
- 2) A number of Cobblestone residents rely on on-street parking for their guests, etc.
- 3) When a car is parked, there is inadequate space for two cars traveling in opposite directions to pass. One must stop to let the other car pass first.
- 4) A bicyclist passing a parked car has to swing into the middle of the street to do so.
- 5) Cobblestone Dr. includes a steep incline that many bicyclists must labor to climb.

Now please imagine this scenario: a parked car, two cars approaching in opposite directions to pass the parked car. Add in small groups of bicyclists traveling in opposite directions, also trying to get around the parked car, with some cyclists struggling to peddle up the hill. Do you not see that this is a design for disaster? Do you not see that your decision to turn Cobblestone Dr. into a bike blvd is going to require, in short order, that you prohibit on-street parking on Cobblestone? Please look ahead. Prohibiting on-street parking is going to be exceedingly unpopular with Cobblestone residents.

Please re-consider the Cobblestone bike plan.

Mark and Katharine Everson
 Residents of 109 Cobblestone Dr. for 30+ years

Zachary Hallock

From: Mary Karnes <marykar@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 1:29 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic calming on Cobblestone Dr

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi Mr Hallock,

As some of my neighbors have said the improvements on Cobblestone Dr are not necessarily helpful. The stop signs are a needed improvement but the white poles set on the side of the street may not be. The ones at the top of the hill may encourage an accident since it's hard to see a car coming up the hill without being in the middle of the street. I've already seen that cars may not slow down for those poles. As for the speed hump I didn't think we need it at all but wonder what will happen in the winter with the snow plows. Will snow build up on the side of the bump?

Mary Karnes
218 Cobblestone

Sent from my iPad

Zachary Hallock

From: Matt MacKinnon <nonnikcam@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 11:49 AM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Drive traffic project

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Mr. Hallock,

I've lived at 105 Cobblestone Drive for over 20 years. From my home, I see people speeding up the hill every day and have been in favor of adding speed bumps to our road for as long as I can remember.

I am also an avid cyclist and ride my bicycle all over town and the local trails. I'm in favor of public spending that make a meaningful improvement to bicycle safety.

1. I'm in favor of speed bumps that make our road similar to those in Cates Farm and Wexford neighborhoods.
2. The 4-way stop sign at Cobblestone and Rockgarden is a good idea. Please have an officer sit there and write a few warning tickets to get the word out so that people start obeying it.
3. I think the traffic cones that have been installed are atrocious.
4.
 1. They are difficult to see from both directions
 2. The location they are in (especially the one at the top of the hill) is dangerous.
 3. They eliminate much needed road-side parking for guests
 4. They are ugly
 5. They clearly damage the property value of the homes they are in front of, I'm sure you've heard from those homeowners already.
 6. I observed the waste collection trucks struggle to work around them this week. I'm sure this will be especially bad when the leaf trucks start to come in the fall. The mailman cannot be happy either.
 7. These things are simply a terrible idea, I cannot imagine what the possible benefits are?
5. The bicycle painting on the road and cheap plastic signs on the stop signs are simply a waste of money. How are those expected to change anyones behavior? Nothing done will make Cobblestone a better/safer place to ride a bike, in fact, as a cyclist I will tell you that I would never try to ride through the cones that have been installed. They are too narrow, and the area between them will accumulate road debris that won't be in the trafficked area.

I'd be happy to discuss or clarify my input further if that would be helpful.

Regards,

Matt MacKinnon
nonnikcam@gmail.com

919-949-6710
105 Cobblestone Drive

Zachary Hallock

From: CreativElectric <creativeelectric@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 10:53 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Dr. Pilot project

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Mr Haddock

I am quite perplexed and dismayed at the attempt to mitigate the speed on Cobblestone Dr. I'll address my concerns in no particular order.

I attended the meeting back in April, and understood that the "Bike Boulevard", like all of the other measures implemented, would be voted on and none would become permanent until votes were cast. Is that still the case? Cobblestone is not wide enough to support additional bicycle traffic - especially with the proposed road narrowing solutions. Besides there is a well established, and much safer route one block away on Cates Farm Rd.

I could tell from your surprise at the meeting that there would be a four way stop at Cobblestone and Rockgarden. That was an unnecessary move, you've managed to further slow down the group of people who were never the problem to begin with, as well as creating a huge annoyance for our end of the street.

It was my (and my neighbor's) impression that the various measures would be tried one or two at a time and not all at once. Where's the scientific process? How are you going to know which one of your ideas is the best one? Certainly you don't expect to keep all of those abominations in place?!

The pinch points you created are in completely wrong places. At the top of the street (near 127 Cobblestone) you force oncoming traffic into the opposite lane at a blind spot in a hill. Twice I've almost creamed the oncoming car because I simply could not see him. Also, think if a bicycle were in the mix, there most certainly would have been serious injury. It's a law suit waiting to happen.

Down at the bottom, near RockGarden you had the encroachment near the stop sign, we're already slowing down for the stop, so it has no effect at all other than , again to force traffic going up the hill onto the other side of the road.

The speed bump too is in the wrong spot at the bottom of the hill. If the idea is to slow traffic coming down the hill, it needs to be further up the hill. Where it is now, cars are already going 30 before they hit the bump. Similarly, a bicycle coming down the hill hitting that bump will catch air coming off it. If the idea is to make the street a "Bicycle Boulevard" and to have it be a thoroughfare for children on their bikes going to and from school, you're creating a situation where the most inexperienced riders are facing a challenge that experienced riders have difficulty negotiating. If your main thrust was to just placate Stephanie you have succeeded. However, rest assured if one of her children hit that bump at 20 mph coming down the hill on a bike she'd drain the towns coffers in a heartbeat.

After seeing all of this mess in place, one thought sticks out in my mind is in regards t the aging and informed citizens who live down on the dead end of the street. My father suffered a stroke a number of years ago, Had the EMT Vehicles been a second slower getting to him, he would have died, or been more seriously paralyzed than he was. He has since passed, but my mother remains in the house, 89 and equally fragile. Every second counts in an emergency.

Finally, it seems like you are attempting to cram this agenda down our throats and making it difficult for those who oppose these measures to have their voices heard. Holding a street meeting at 5-7 with one days notice- we work that's an almost impossible thing to manage.

Thank You,
 Lisa and Mike Sanfilippo
 CreativElectric
 919-698-9485 Lisa

919-868-6240 Mike
Hours Mon-Fri 9-5pm
<http://www.creativelectric.com/>

Zachary Hallock

From: Mary Sonis <msonis@nc.rr.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2019 10:04 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming - Pilot Project Installation

I bet if you did a survey of all Cobblestone residents, you would find that most people do not favor any traffic calming devices, beyond the enforcement of the present speed limit. This is an unfortunate waste of resources, and these devices have been shown to cause cars to produce more CO2 emissions than they produce in the course of normal driving.

Sincerely,
Mary Sonis

On Jul 24, 2019, at 3:40 PM, Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org> wrote:

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Thank you for your patience with us as this project moves forward.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock, AICP, EI

Transportation Planner

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Zachary Hallock

From: Nan Babcock <nbabcock@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 1:39 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone dr

I use cobblestone multiple times a week - I understand what your after but narrowing the road is scary as a driver. I feel like I am playing Russian roulette on this road on a good day. When it's trash or recycling days it complicates things even further. Leaf collection times of year (or after storm or Xmas) adds other scary elements due to a one lane road scenario.

One additional element to consider is bikers. I use this road biking to grocery every now and then. If you have any speed going down the hill and weight of groceries (or not) when you hit the speed bump the biker is going to get some air. Teenagers may like it but moms/dads and middle school bikers are especially at risk.

In general I am not a fan of speed bumps due to the trade-off of emergency vehicles responding quickly.

Please reconsider!

Nan Babcock
23 year resident on tramore dr

Zachary Hallock

From: Nancy Lees <njalees@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 10:21 AM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Opposition to Cobblestone Dr. Traffic Calming Device

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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My husband and I own the home at 107 Cobblestone Dr. While we are not opposed to traffic humps to slow the speed of drivers on our street, we are opposed to the style of traffic calming feature outlined by the temporary cones across the street from our house.

The style of device, jutting out into the street to allow only one lane of traffic, is not desirable. The one across from 107 Cobblestone Dr. is at the crest of the hill.

There is not a clear line of sight to opposing traffic coming up the hill. This is dangerous - could cause a potential head on collision.

Please take our concerns into consideration.

Regards,
Nancy and Jonathan Lees

Zachary Hallock

From: Neil and Carol Offen <neilandcarloff@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2019 12:07 PM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Drive traffic calming

I am writing concerning the recent implementation of temporary traffic-calming devices on Cobblestone Drive.

While the idea of slowing traffic on the street is a good one, and the 4-way stop at Cobblestone and Rock Garden particularly useful, the overall implementation has a number of problems.

On a small street, the chicanes are very problematic; they force vehicles to the center of the street, thus putting them in the way of vehicles coming in the other direction. On a street where there is significant curbside parking and regular town vehicle service, not only do these chicanes not aid safety, they create a much greater hazard.

The markings for a bike lane seem more than sufficient for bicycle right-of-way.

Furthermore, the speed bump that has been installed appears to have been placed at a location that's not terribly useful. The speeding on the street is more from vehicles descending the hill with momentum; the bump has been placed near the bottom of the hill, where vehicles no longer are traveling so fast. It would make much more sense to place the bump closer to the point where the hill descends abruptly.

It might also be better to use a lower hump or a speed table instead of a bump since the bump is hard on both vehicles, their drivers and their passengers. On a street without heavy traffic, a bump this high seems like a solution in search of a problem.

Thank you for your consideration.

Neil Offen
219 Cobblestone Drive

Zachary Hallock

From: Neptali bocanegra <nrubenbocanegra@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 10, 2019 12:26 PM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Subject: Traffic-calming at Cobblestone Dr

I am against the speed bumps! Against the bicycle lane that will increase traffic and not calm traffic. I have been living in 202 for 29 years, have raised two kids in this neighborhood. I have seen traffic increase due to the area neighborhood developments now that it has completely developed. I don't see any dangerous issues due to the present traffic. The only things that have changed are the new families moving in with new ideas and political agendas. If safety for our kids is an issue, personally I will not allow them to play in the street. The town has so many parks close to Cobblestone within a mile where they can play safely and free!

Why I am against speed bumps?

- . Increased noise and car emissions
- . Slow emergency vehicle response time and impeding of snow-plow trucks
- . Damage to car tires and fenders of cars with low clearance
- . Increased back and hip pain for people suffering from these issues

Why I am against bicycle lanes?

. Increased risk for accidents if the road modification like placing the poles in the top of the road with no visibility of the incoming traffic

- . Making bicycle lanes in Cobblestone will increase bicycle traffic, and how do you control or monitor bicycle speed?

I do hope the town will not consider to enforce these changes to our neighborhood!

Ruben & Wanda Bocanegra in 202 Cobblestone

Sent from my iPad

Zachary Hallock

From: Steve Himmelberg <stevhimmelberg@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2019 10:53 AM
To: pmmcguire@townofcarrboro.org
Cc: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Cobblestone Dr traffic calming
Attachments: [Untitled]_2019080909485500.pdf

Dear Ms. McGuire & Mr. Hallock,

As residents of Cobblestone Drive for almost 20 years we wanted to weigh in on the new traffic calming devices. We have seen over the years the steady increase not only in traffic but in the speed of drivers. Being one of the few streets without traffic calming devices we constantly watch drivers speeding up & down Cobblestone Drive as a cut through from Hillsborough Road to Homestead Road. We would even watch school buses using Cobblestone Drive as a cut through and going way to fast "down the hill".

A couple of observations;

- So far we have been extremely pleased with the short-term benefits as traffic has somewhat slowed.
- There does appear to be a serious need for an additional speed bump on the South end of the street which would be around 115/116 Cobblestone Drive. What we have witnessed recently is drivers seriously increasing their speed when they are traveling "up the hill" from the new speed bump at 130 Cobblestone Drive to the stop sign @ Cobblestone Drive & Pathway Drive. Seems that drivers are trying to "make up time" from slowing down at the speed bump @ 130 Cobblestone Drive and have grown impatient.
 - As of right now drivers have slowed on the North end of the street (where the speed bump is located) but have increased their speed on the South end of the street (going "up the hill").
- There has been an local movement to try and scare residents to voice their concerns against the traffic calming devices. Somebody passed out negative fliers in Cobblestone Drive mailboxes (see attached copy)
 - It appears that the only people who would be against the traffic calming devices are either 1) the people that use Cobblestone Drive as a cut through (i.e. do NOT live on the street) 2) people who are going above the speed limit and feel inconvenienced.
- If Cobblestone Drive does become a bicycle boulevard additional measures need to be taken to slow the traffic (i.e. a 2nd speed bump) to create a safe space since there is NO dedicated bike lane.

In talking with neighbors around us everyone has been in favor of the traffic calming devices. Since Cobblestone Drive is in the "walk zone" for McDougale Elementary School & Middle School there are A LOT of children using this road daily and crossing the road.

Thank you for your time and feel free to contact us with any questions.

Steve & Adrienne Himmelberg
 111 Cobblestone Drive

Zachary Hallock

From: Stephanie Wade <stephanie.wade09@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 3:34 PM
To: Zachary Hallock; boa; Christina Moon; Patricia J. McGuire; Ryan Mills; Liz Harden
Subject: Traffic Calming on Cobblestone

Hi Zach and BOA.

Thank you so much for the stop signs, bike awareness, and the much needed speed hump/table on Cobblestone. Love it! Love it! Love the speed hump! We could definitely use one or two more speed humps further up the street. We get together as a community and we learn that not all needs are the same but we have a commonality...we need folks to slow down on Cobblestone. Thanks for coming through for us. Let's make it permanent.

Personally, the chicanes bring awareness but I'm not sure how much they slow folks down. Its just like having a parked car on the street since the chicanes are not opposing one another.

Thanks again.

Stephanie

Zachary Hallock

From: Sandra Walton <swalton6438@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 3:04 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming - Pilot Project Installation

Hi Zachary,

I live at 103 Cobblestone Dr, and worked from home on Wed, 7/31. I definitely noticed that the temp. poles (the first set) just past our house caused cars to slow down/brake. I'm a big fan of seeing speed humps installed on our street but since I was at the meeting in May that you participated in, I'm sure you are receiving all sorts of negative feedback/reaction.

Our family is all for seeing something to slow down cars/deter people from speeding through our neighborhood.

Sandra Walton

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Zachary Hallock

From: Sean Wamsley <seanwamsley@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 8:53 AM
To: boa; Zachary Hallock
Cc: Bridget Wamsley
Subject: Cobblestone Homeowner- objection to traffic calming

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Mr. Hallock & The Board of Alderman:

The temporary traffic calming measures installed on Cobblestone Drive are unacceptable to me as a homeowner of Cobblestone and I would like to see them removed.

Specifically, the post groupings and the electronic speed gauge present an eyesore and are not fitting with the aesthetic of the community.

The speed gauge is within only a few feet of my property as it is directly at the end of my driveway. It is my belief that the placement of this unsightly gauge will negatively impact the value of my home if it becomes permanent.

If it is agreed by the community and the traffic planner that permanent traffic calming measures are required, then I respectfully request that speed bumps be installed. It is my belief that speed bumps would not negatively impact home values and that they would potentially fit with the aesthetic of our quiet Cobblestone community.

Thank you for your service and efforts to improve our community.

Sincerely,
Sean and Bridget Wamsley
115 Cobblestone Dr
410.562.6282

Zachary Hallock

From: Tristan Swindell <tswindell32@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 9:20 AM
To: Zachary Hallock; Christina Moon; Patricia J. McGuire; boa
Subject: Cobblestone Drive speed bumps

To whom it may concern,

My family has recently moved into a home on Cobblestone Drive. We have two preschool age children and a dog and we are concerned about the amount of cars speeding through the neighborhood. I was very happy to see the speed monitor that was installed as well as the temporary traffic-calming devices. I want to advocate for these devices to stay and would like for a permanent speed bump to be placed in front of or near our home at 113 Cobblestone Dr. We are located at the bottom of a hill and people tend to accelerate as they are going up or are traveling at a fast speed while going down. Our family loves to spend time outside and play in the front yard however I have concerns about the children playing due to the speeding traffic. I have spoken with other neighbors and it is my understanding that some of this traffic is due to people avoiding other roads in the neighborhood that already have speed bumps. These individuals do not live on Cobblestone and are unaware of the amount of people (especially children) and animals that are outside on a daily basis. We love our new home and neighborhood and would like to make it a safer place to live and play! Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Tristan Swindell
113 Cobblestone Dr.

Email Comments Related to the August 13th Community Meeting

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:14 PM
To: 'swindell82@gmail.com'; 'Tristan Swindell'
Cc: Patricia J. McGuire; Christina Moon
Subject: RE: Please

Dear Mr. and Ms. Swindell,

Thank you for your comments.

The Town is currently working to address the issue and alleviate concerns of Cobblestone Dr residents.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

From: Patricia J. McGuire
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:14 AM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>; Christina Moon <CMoon@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Fwd: Please

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jade Swindell <swindell82@gmail.com>
Date: August 14, 2019 at 7:44:05 AM EDT
To: <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>, Tristan Swindell <tswindell32@gmail.com>
Subject: Please

My wife and I could not attend the meeting last night due to my work. However, if I knew how fast people go up/down that hill I would not have moved on that street. Please put some sort of speed hump in front of our house. The town did the study and I hope are aware of how bad the problem really is. The digital speeding sign has been very helpful and it very close to our house. Thanks for your close attention to this matter. I know it's difficult. Cars just flat out fly going up and down that hill. I just want to feel safe playing with my kids in front of our home. I don't want the town to be in a position of having to do something after a tragedy rather than trying to prevent one.

-Jade Swindell

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:28 PM
To: 'cgoldste@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: Posts on Cobblestone

Dear Ms. Goldstein,

Thank you for your comments.

We are working to devise a different traffic calming setup which would alleviate any safety concerns on Cobblestone Drive.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
 Town of Carrboro

From: Cheryl Goldstein <cgoldste@gmail.com>
Date: July 31, 2019 at 3:02:47 PM EDT
To: <pmcguire@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Posts on Cobblestone

Dear Ms. McGuire,

My name is Cheryl Goldstein and I live in the Fair Oaks subdivision off of Hillsborough Road. Today I notice that white posts with reflectors had been erected in the street on Cobblestone in three locations. Today I spoke with some of the men that had installed these posts and they explained that they were placed there to slow down traffic. I explained that while I am very supported of slowing down traffic on this street, it would be much safer and more effective to install speed bumps. As it is, Cobblestone is littered with cars parked on both sides of the street, often making it a "one lane" road in areas, especially when you encounter service vehicles (lawn, carpentry, construction, etc.) and the roll out bins for trash and recycling. Several years ago my side mirror was knocked off by a trash bin in the street when I had to try to navigate around parked cars on both sides of the street with a car coming in the opposite direction (and I had to pull over quickly to avoid an accident).

The men working on the posts advised me to contact you with my concerns, so I thought sending you an email to explain the situation on Cobblestone would be best. I truly feel that adding these posts in the street will make this road even more dangerous to navigate by restricting the road space even further.

Thank you for your consideration of my request to use speed bumps in lieu of the posts.

Kind regards,

Cheryl Goldstein

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 1:38 PM
To: 'heidi perov'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive

Hi Heidi,

Thanks for your comments.

I know the sharrows need to be centered in the lane and we are looking at adjusting the traffic calming devices.

Thanks,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
 Town of Carrboro

From: heidi perov [mailto:heidiperov@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 6:43 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Cc: Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>; Christina Moon <CMoon@townofcarrboro.org>; Damon Seils <dseils@townofcarrboro.org>; Lydia Lavelle <lydlavelle@nc.rr.com>; David Andrews <dandrews@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Drive

Hi Zach et al.,
 I hope everyone is having a great summer.

I recently had a chance to ride on Cobblestone, where the Town is testing some traffic calming, and I had a few comments I wanted to share.

I understand that the main focus of the pilot project is to slow traffic and not to accommodate bicycling, but there are some issues that will affect people on bikes.

A few days ago there were temporary chicanes up but they appear to have been removed. Will you be relocating them to another part of the road, or is the only traffic calming being employed the speed bump at the bottom of the road and the addition of a 3 way stop sign? Although the chicanes had some problems with their locations, I imagine they may have helped to slow traffic down. I hope the Town gathered some data during their brief time up.

The speed bump is very dangerous for cyclists going down the hill. I have heard from a few cyclists that this has caused near crashes with experienced cyclists, and the concern is that it will cause actual crashes among less experienced people on bicycles, especially children. Bicycles can easily build up speeds of 18–25 miles an hour on that descent. It would be a good idea to give a much larger area on the sides for cyclists to travel through.

The sharrows have been painted incorrectly. They are currently located in the same portion of the road that cars are parked in. They should be placed in the middle of the travel lanes. According to the MUTCD, on a street with on-street parallel parking, the positioning of the sharrow "should be placed so that the **centers of the markings are at least 11 feet from the face of the curb.**"

If sharrows are the only accommodation being given to people on bikes, they need to be positioned correctly. Otherwise, a person riding along Cobblestone and trying to read the sharrow as a guide for where s/he is to ride will be continually moving in and out of the travel lane.

I'd like to keep up with the evaluation of this project. Could you let me know when the speed counts and other parts of the project are scheduled to be evaluated?

Thanks as always for all you do,

Heidi

Heidi Perov Perry
919-618-8199

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 1:45 PM
To: '12Gauge'
Cc: Christina Moon; Patricia J. McGuire
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Dr Speed mitigation

Dear Mr. Sanfilippo,

Thank you for your inquiry.
I will need to do some research and get back to you regarding the proper procedure here.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

-----Original Message-----

From: 12Gauge [mailto:12gaugewire@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 9:26 PM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Cc: boa <boa@townofcarrboro.org>; Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Dr Speed mitigation

Mr Hallock et al.

Before the onset of this venture, Stephanie Oakes and David Resnick came around with a petition asking support for speed mitigation on Cobblestone. I believe they misrepresented the nature of their intent and I respectfully request that my name be stricken from the petition. Is that in your purview or do I need to follow some other protocol?

-Mikel Sanfilippo
211 Cobblestone Dr.

Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:16 PM
To: 'Ryan Oakes'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Traffic Calming Meeting

Hi Ryan,

Thanks again for all your comments.

We are working to find a solution that both addresses the safety issue and alleviates any concerns which residents of Cobblestone may have.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

From: Ryan Oakes [mailto:ryan@clearwaterconstructiongroup.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:41 AM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>; boa <boa@townofcarrboro.org>; Christina Moon <CMoon@townofcarrboro.org>
Cc: Lydia Lavelle <LLavelle@townofcarrboro.org>; David Andrews <dandrews@townofcarrboro.org>; Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>; Catherine Dorando <CDorando@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Cobblestone Traffic Calming Meeting

Hi Everyone,

This email is to follow up on the meeting held last night at the Town Hall regarding the Traffic Calming measures on Cobblestone Dr. I have also included my previous email below, as a reminder to why we need action on your behalf.

First, I would like to thank the three BOA Representatives, Barbara, Randee & Jaqueline for coming to listen to our meeting!

It was a lively discussion and unfortunately there is very vocal minority in our neighborhood that showed up to voice dissenting opinions or concerns regarding the traffic calming measures. They pointed out however that they felt like the communication to this point was not thorough and did not include them. Though a few of us that are in support of the traffic calming measures, in particular speed bumps/humps, showed up, many did not for a variety of reasons... family illness, out of town or they simply felt their signature on the initial petition was enough. Many people are non-confrontational; they want anonymity and don't want to be in a neighborhood feud.

As Town Management, I'm sure you are used to hearing opinions on both sides of the fence for various topics, even heated debates. As residents, we are not used to this. We do not want to have to fight for safety. We do not want to have to campaign our neighborhood and solicit support for something that saves lives and creates an enjoyable place to live. For our part, we moved to Carrboro for its reputation of being a bicycle and pedestrian friendly area, among other reasons. We moved to a neighborhood so our kids could ride bikes to school and visit their friends without having to hold their hands every day, which is detrimental to their psychological health.

Our six year old son Atticus was nearly hit by a car during the school year after a women passed my wife and Atticus on their bikes aggressively. Recently, one of our neighbors had a child nearly hit by a speeding car. She was devastated. She couldn't make it to the meeting last night due to tending to a friend in Hospice care. As a reminder, there was an accident on our street that knocked a parked car onto the curb. There is a bigger picture here as the take away....

The bigger picture is this: However we got here, The Town of Carrboro now has the data that shows there is a significant speeding problem in our neighborhood. It is at this point, the responsibility of the Town of Carrboro to rectify the problem. I am calling on you to be strong and explain to all the residents that we ARE getting some kind of device, whether we all want it or not. None of us want to see the implications of what happens if someone is injured or killed, if no action is taken, now that the data is collected and you know that there is a problem. For example, the Town could be sued for wrongful death and negligence. However, no one is going to be litigious if speed humps are installed. A few people may not be happy for a little while but they won't be litigious. I am obviously not your Council; rather I'm just pointing out the obvious.

If 100% of the neighbors had agreed to this, I'm sure we would not be having this conversation but as you all know, there will always be dissent to any decision that policy makers put in place. This matter is not about the popular idea at this point. It is about Child and Senior Safety.

With our children, when they argue about doing something they don't want to do, we give them two choices. This or that, but both choices are presented by us, not them. Working with a population is similar. You could simply present our neighborhood with choices. Speed Bumps, Speed Tables or Speed Humps. One of them is being installed due to the speeding problem. Which, dear residents, would you like?

Another option could be a Speed Camera, that issues citations and doesn't require an officer to be present. While this has been a contentious method in the past, many civilians have accepted this method as something that is here to stay. It would bring revenue to the Town,

though it could also bring unwanted Press. Hard to say right? Speed humps while annoying, are proven to work. And thank you so much for putting one in front of our house!!!

In closing, I would like to thank you all for the measures taken so far and for helping us create a safer Carrboro! We look forward to seeing your next moves and bringing closure to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ryan Oakes, MA. SWD
Professional Watershape Designer # KM 083-17

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From: Ryan Oakes <ryan@clearwaterconstructiongroup.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 20, 2019 11:06 AM
To: zhallock@townofcarrboro.org; boa@townofcarrboro.org; CMoon@townofcarrboro.org
Cc: llavelle@townofcarrboro.org; dandrews@townofcarrboro.org
Subject: Accident on Cobblestone Dr

Hi Everyone,

My name is Ryan Oakes. Several of you know my wife Stephanie Wade. We live on 127 Cobblestone Dr.

I want to keep you all in the loop about a recent car accident on Cobblestone. On Friday night, January 18, a parked car on our street was hit by an oncoming car going up Cobblestone coming from the Wexford direction. I have attached photos for your reference.

The driver was moving fast enough to push the parked car up and onto the sidewalk. This is clearly not something that would happen if she were not speeding. Speed aside, she claimed she was looking for her phone, left the center of the road and collided with the parked car, or so the owner of the car reported to us.

Before the Holidays, Stephanie met with Tina and Zach to discuss the results of the traffic study, which proved that most people are indeed speeding through our neighborhood. I was told that calming devices such as speed tables were unlikely to be installed and that the town preferred to use measures such as parking cars strategically on the road to help calm traffic.

I would like to point out now, the failure of this type of traffic calming measure. Not only does a parked car on the street not slow traffic, it sets drivers up for more potential to have an accident. Having cars on the street

also creates a situation for children to step out in front of traffic from behind a parked car, leaving the drivers little time to stop, especially if they are already speeding. As well, children and adults alike cannot often see around cars parked on the street to prevent themselves from stepping into traffic.

We must ask ourselves, if speed tables had been present, would she have hit the car? At the very least her speed would have been reduced which could have reduced impact damage.

I can only imagine what conversation we would be having had a pedestrian or worse, a child, been injured or killed in this accident.

It was suggested to Stephanie, at her meeting, that our Emergency Services don't like traffic calming devices. I would like to suggest considering spaced traffic devices that allow wider vehicles such as buses and Emergency Services to span the humps. As well there are rubber tables that could be installed intermittently and even temporarily to see if the general traffic behavior could be modified. As a Town, we need to be considering the correlation between our mission and our circumstances. The Mayor promotes that this is an Exercise and Bicycle friendly community. I for one, as an avid cyclist and runner am worried about my children growing up riding and playing in our neighborhood. Had we any idea before we moved here, that this was a problem, we would never have considered this neighborhood.

I am begging you to please do something now. We have provided the town with:

- 1) Sufficient neighborhood support for a traffic calming study
- 2) Sufficient evidence that the majority of drivers (85% I believe) are speeding
- 3) Sufficient evidence that the road sees a lot of traffic, which is diverted from the wider Cates farm road because Cates farm road has Traffic calming devices.
- 4) Sufficient evidence that parking cars on the side of the road is not an option

We simply want the Town of Carrboro to do the right thing. I have included the following link for your convenience from the American Public Health Association. It provides research analysis proving that our children will live in a safer environment with traffic calming measures. Please take a moment to read it.
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1448312/>

I would like to remind you of your own vision, as copied directly from your website.....

"Carrboro will be a place that is bicycle-friendly; where people have an accessible, safe, and convenient option of bicycling for transportation, recreation, and health; where bicycle lanes and greenways provide a connected system within and outside the Town; where future development provides access and facilities for bicyclists; where bicycle transportation is the easy choice; and where proposed policies and programs educate, inspire, and encourage residents and enforce safe bicyclist and motorist behavior."

--Vision from the Comprehensive Bicycle Transportation Plan, adopted by the Board of Aldermen, March 24, 2009

As a final note, I would like to point out that our local school buses are one of the speed offenders. Recently I called to complain about bus #254 which was going at least 40 mph by my estimate.

Thanks so much for taking the time to read this,

Ryan Oakes, MA. SWD

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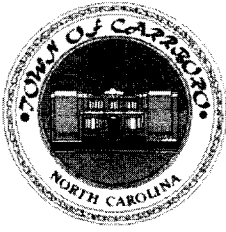
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Comments Related to the September 9th & 12th Community Meetings

Cobblestone Drive Neighborhood Drop-in Session Notes

Carrboro Town Hall, 7:30-9:00PM, 9/9/19

- Go back and check when the Cates Farm Road speed bumps were installed, if there is count data may be able to see a change?
- Are there other speed cushion locations nearby where they could be observed?
- What is the future of parking on Cobblestone?
 - There will be no change the parking through this traffic calming process
- Stop sign is a helpful improvement, keeps people from flying through the intersection at Rockgarden, even if they do a rolling stop that is better.
- Need to figure out how to handle speeding bicycles, though that is primarily a function of topography
- Could the flower pots be used to close off the north end of Cobblestone before Rockgarden?
- Putting a raised crosswalk on Cobblestone at Pathway won't do much to cars but would be good for pedestrians, but marking the crosswalk could be helpful.
- When repaving is done the speed humps are often made worse than originally designed.
- Would generally prefer speed table design over speed bumps (whichever is less aggressive)
- Any way to trial a speed cushion setup?
- The EMS time savings for speed cushions may be statistically irrelevant
- The speed cushion's cutouts for EMS vehicles could create a game of people trying to swerve
- Consider painting crosswalks at Rockgarden and at Pathway
- Enforce stop signs
- Place warning flags on new stop signs
- Try to place speed tables on the slopes of the hills as that is where speeding is more prevalent
 - Shift the one at the bottom of the hill further south and add another to the north
- There may be stormwater issues if locating a speed table at the bottom of the hill
- Move the speed limit sign for northbound cobblestone (coming from pathway) further away from the intersection or add a second sign.
- Increase enforcement at stop signs



TOWN OF CARRBORO

NORTH CAROLINA

Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming Design**Community Comment Form**Address: 129 Cobblestone Drive, Chapel Hill, NC

Comments: _____

I attended the drop-in session on Sept. 9 to demonstrate proposed calming devices for Cobblestone Drive. I am not in favor of the Cushion Design. During the pilot phase of installations, all devices that encouraged traffic deviating from the lane resulted in uncertainty and erratic, dangerous driving behavior. The grooves in the cushions would have a similar effect. I would prefer the speed tables, maximum of three, as proposed. I would support crosswalks designated by paint to link sidewalks, but would not support them being raised. Some consideration should be made regarding placement of a table near the creek & aqueduct system. Thank you for your consideration.

Debbie Vandelford



TOWN OF CARRBORO

NORTH CAROLINA

Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming Design**Community Comment Form**

Address: 11 Cobblestone Dr. — Steve + Adrienne Himmelberg

Comments: We are not in favor of the speed
cushions. The firm print of the example provided
details that commercial trucks will still be able to
maintain their speed ~ their wheel base is wide
like the emergency vehicles. Commercial vehicles
are a large part of our speeding issue. We also
feel the speed cushion would create a "game"
when people would attempt to align their wheels
with the space. On our narrow street, to swerve
toward the center is extremely dangerous given
oncoming traffic. Has no alternate path to avoid a
collision.

Email Comments Related to the October 17th Transportation Advisory Board Meeting

Zachary Hallock

From: Matt MacKinnon <nonnikcam@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:24 PM
To: Zachary Hallock
Cc: Christina Moon; Patricia J. McGuire
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

I'm unable to attend these meetings, however, I would like to register my full support for that plan as described. 20 years overdue, but exactly what needs to be done. Thank you.

Matt MacKinnon
105 Cobblestone Dr, Chapel Hill, NC 27516

On Tue, Oct 8, 2019 at 9:54 AM Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org> wrote:

Dear Cobblestone Drive Residents,

Attached you will find two items, a flyer with information about the upcoming meetings at which Traffic Calming on Cobblestone Drive will be discussed and a map indicating the proposed locations for traffic calming devices. Hard copies of these items have also been mailed to all addresses within the Area of Influence. The upcoming meetings are as follows:

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If you have any other questions please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Zachary Hallock

From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 10:43 AM
To: 'joe vanderford'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Hi Joe,

We sent the mailing out on Friday. Did you happen to receive it yet?

Either way if there is a visible place where you can post the flyer that would be helpful to try and reach others, I can make some copies for you if needed. Also, if you can post the files on Nextdoor that would be good as well rather than just relying on Ms. Wade.

Thanks!

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

From: joe vanderford [mailto:joevandy@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 10:12 AM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: Re: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

zach,

thanks for the heads up. the most important thing is to make sure EVERYONE in the neighborhood is aware of these meetings. let me know if there's anything i can do to get the word out.

yours,

joe vanderford

cell 919-260-2998

-----Original Message-----

From: Zachary Hallock
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From: Zachary Hallock
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 4:17 PM
To: 'Kenneth Reiter'
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

Dear Mr. Reiter,

Thank you for your comments.

Based on the traffic speed, volume, and other thresholds identified in the Town of Carrboro's Residential Traffic Management Plan (RTMP) Cobblestone Drive meets the threshold for Stage 2 traffic calming devices, such as speed tables. This plan can be found at: <http://nc-carrboro.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/1433/Residential-Traffic-Management-Plan?bidId=>

I would encourage you to attend the scheduled meetings of the Transportation Advisory Board and Carrboro Board of Aldermen at which Cobblestone Drive will be discussed.

Sincerely,

Zachary Hallock
Transportation Planner
Town of Carrboro

From: Kenneth Reiter [mailto:kreiter@belmontsayre.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 11:40 AM
To: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Subject: RE: Cobblestone Drive Traffic Calming

I think three speed tables are ridiculous.

Is this really necessary or just being driven by complaints?

While speed tables reduce speed, they will influence drivers to use other non-speed tables paths, thereby utilizing the existing/limited capacity on Pathway and other connectors.

Has anyone studied the impact on those routes once the speed tables are installed?

Ken

From: Zachary Hallock <zhallock@townofcarrboro.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 9:55 AM
Cc: Christina Moon <CMoon@townofcarrboro.org>; Patricia J. McGuire <PMcGuire@townofcarrboro.org>
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